

October 11, 2005

## VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Tom Turner Associate Regional Counsel U.S. EPA – Region V Officer of Regional Counsel 77 W. Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604



Re: Clayton Chemical Site General Notice of Potential Liability Letter

Dear Tom:

This firm represents Clean The Uniform Company St. Louis. ("Clean") and has been asked to respond to your September 27, 2005 letter to Gary Lazaroff.

In your letter, you requested that Clean provide a timely written response regarding its willingness to perform or finalize certain soil removal activities or finance certain soil removal activities at the RRG Clayton Chemical Site.

As you are aware, the RRG/Clayton Chemical Site Soils Removal Group has been negotiating with U.S. EPA to resolve the liability of the Group's members. Pursuant to these negotiations, certain members of the Group, identified as Performing Members, would agree to undertake certain removal activities. These activities would be funded through contributions to the Group from Performing Members and Non-performing Members as defined in the Participation Agreement. The Group identified these Performing Members and Non-performing Members when it submitted Attachment A and Attachment B to you on September 30, 2005. Clean is included among the Non-performing Members.

Clean understands that by joining the Group and the Group entering into its Settlement Agreement with U.S. EPA, Clean is deemed to have responded to the notice letter. Should additional responses be required, please advise immediately.

Very truly yours,

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